# **Latta High School**

618 N. Richardson St. Latta, SC 29565



# South Carolina State Report Card

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

Grades: 9-12 High
Enrollment: 449 students
School Phone: 843-752-5751

School Website: <a href="http://lhs6.mybigcampus.net/">http://lhs6.mybigcampus.net/</a>

Principal: George H. Liebenrood, Jr.

Superintendent: Dr. John M. Kirby, Jr

Board Chair: Betty Jo Johnson



## Profile of the SC Graduate

#### **World Class Knowledge**

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences\*

#### **World Class Skills**

- · Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- · Knowing how to learn

#### **Life and Career Characteristics**

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- · Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

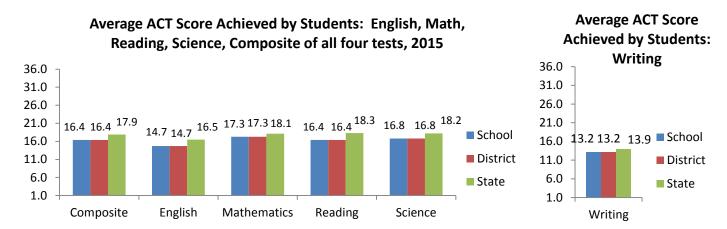
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WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

Latta High School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by Latta High School implementing rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness. The addition of the course mechatronics and additional STEM related science courses will prepare our students for the future job market. Latta High's International Baccalaureate program is flourishing. We have four IB Diploma candidates this school year. The number and kinds of scholarships awarded to Latta High students has been a continuing encouragement. This year we have produced two Palmetto Scholars, twentytwo Life Scholarship recipients, and a number of students gaining an assortment of other kinds of scholarships. We were able to achieve these levels because of the efforts of an excellent teaching faculty, the support of our parents, the efforts of our students, and the trust that exists between the schools and the people of our community. The high expectations of the aforementioned groups have greatly enhanced our ability to compete academically. While we have accomplished a great deal this past academic year, we look forward to the challenges of the 2015-2016 school year. George Liebenrood- Principal Valerie McClain- School Improvement Council Chairperson

<sup>\* 21</sup>st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

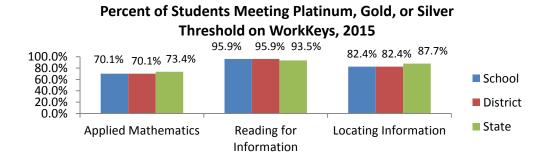
## **KNOWLEDGE**



**The ACT**, a college readiness assessment, was given to every South Carolina 11th grader in 2015 with the exception of those eligible for alternate assessments. The ACT scores range from 0 to 36. The district and state averages are included for comparison. State averages for ACT data are based on regular public schools and do not include private schools in the state.

Percent of Students Meeting ACT College-Ready Benchmarks, 2015					
English Benchmark					
Score: 18	Score: 22	Score: 22	Score: 23	All 4 Subjects	
28.3	9.1	10.1	4	1	

ACT benchmarks are scores on the ACT subject-area tests that represent the level of achievement required for students to have a 50% chance of obtaining a B or higher or about a 75% chance of obtaining a C or higher in corresponding credit-bearing first-year college courses.



ACT WorkKeys is a job skills assessment system measuring "real world" skills that employers believe are critical in the workplace. The assessment is given to every South Carolina 11th grader with the exception of those eligible for alternative assessments. The assessment consists of three subtests: Applied Mathematics, Reading for Information, and Locating Information. Students can earn certificates at the Platinum, Gold, Silver, and Bronze level on WorkKeys assessments.

The ACT is a registered trademark of ACT, Inc.

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# **KNOWLEDGE**

SAT Performance				
Percent of Students	Average Critical		Average Writing	Average Composite
Tested	Reading Score	Average Math Score	Score	Score
55.6	471	468	453	1392

The highest composite score on the SAT is a 2400. For each of the three sections of the test, the highest score is 800.

End of Course Tests			
Percent of tests with scores of 70 or above on:	Our School	High Schools with Students Like Ours	State
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	88.6	78.7	85.7
English 1	77.9	61.0	75.1
Biology 1	73.2	72.2	77.8
US History and the Constitution	60.0	60.7	69.1
All Subjects	74.0	68.3	77.3

High Schools with Students Like Ours are high schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

# **OUTCOMES**

State Graduation Rate		
Four-Year Five-Year		
80.3	82.0	

School Four-Year Cohort Graduation Rate			
2015 2014 2013 2012			
87.2	79.2	81.6	75.7

School Five-Year Cohort Graduation Rate				
2015 2014 2013 2012				
79.2 81.6 75.7 78.5				

Percentage of Seniors Eligible for LIFE Scholarship				
Our School District State				
28.9 28.9 42.2				

Percentage of Students from 2014 Graduating Class Enrolled in a two- or four-year college or technical				
college pursuing an associates degree, certificate, or diploma in Fall 2014				
Our School District State				
70.5 70.5 70.3				

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# **OPPORTUNITIES**

# For students to meet the profile of the SC Graduate

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Students (n = 449)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	74.9	Down from 79.6%	N/A
Attendance Rate	95.3	Down from 96.2%	94.0
With disabilities	8.5	Down from 8.7%	12.6
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0	No change	0.9
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	21.6	Up from 16.2%	17.0
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	21.2	Up from 18.9%	10.3
Successful in AP/IB programs	N/A	N/A	38.7
Career/tech students in co-curricular organizations	17.2	Down from 55.3%	8.6
Enrollment in career/technology courses	401	Up from 206	644
Students participating in work-based experiences	0.0	Down from 100.0%	9.1
Number of seniors who have completed FAFSA forms	63	N/A	156
Percentage of seniors completing college applications	87.4	N/A	75.5
Number of students in dual enrollment courses	11	N/A	54
Success rate of students in dual enrollment courses	100.0	N/A	99.1
Annual dropout rate	1.1	Down from 1.2%	2.4
Dropout recovery rate	0.0	N/A	4.4
Percentage of students retained	2.5	Down from 3.2%	2.9
Teachers (n = 23)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	60.9	Up from 54.2%	60.9
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	91.3	Up from 70.8%	77.8
Teachers returning from previous year	85.5	Up from 84.6%	85.2
Teacher attendance rate	96.2	Up from 96.0%	95.4
Average teacher salary*	\$44,446	Up 3.1%	\$47,972
Professional development days / teacher	24.3 days	Up from 15.4 days	11.0 days
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.9	Up from 0.9%	3.4
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	3.7	N/A	0.4

# **Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents**

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	Teachers	Students*	Parents*	
Number of surveys returned	27	91	37	
Percent satisfied with learning environment	92.6	75.8	86.4	
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	89.2	76.7	81.6	
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	53.6	86.9	68.4	

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^{*}}$  Only students in grade 11 and their parents were included.

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	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with students like ours
School			
Principal's years at school	12.0	Up from 11.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	30.9 to 1	Up from 25.8 to 1	26.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.8	Down from 91.5%	88.0
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
Dual enrollment courses offered	2.0	N/A	10.0
Are online or blended (50% online) courses offered	N/A	N/C	N/A
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0	No change	99.9
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Good
Avg. Age of books/electronic media in the school library	15.0	N/A	15.0
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	18.7	N/A	24.6
Bandwidth capacity per student	50-100 Mbps	N/C	N/A
District-issued technology devices per teacher	1.5	N/C	2.0
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	76-100%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.4	N/C	0.9
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,472	Down 0.2%	\$8,829
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	52.0	Up from 51.8%	56.8
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	53.9	Up from 52.3%	58.0

<sup>\*</sup> Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

# **State Ratings History of School**

Year	Absolute Rating	<b>Growth Rating</b>
2014	Good	At-Risk
2013	Excellent	Excellent
2012	Average	At-Risk

Based on state law, schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017.

# **Additional Resources**

SC State Content Standards

Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards

2014-15 Accountability Manual

Report Card Data Files

ESEA Data Files

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